

S.B. D.1961

SHANGHAI MUNICIPAL  
C. & S. D. REGS.  
No. S. B. D. 1961.  
date 13 - 3 - 31.

March 13, 31.

Sir,

I have to acknowledge receipt of your letters dated January 14 and February 27, 1931 on the subject of one Elias Sassoon Joseph, and to state in reply that careful inquiries have been made, but no confirmation can be found of the statement that this man once stopped in Shanghai. The "Kashima Maru", which arrived in Singapore on February 12 left Shanghai on February 3. The list of passengers who left here by that ship has been scrutinized, but the name of Elias Sassoon Joseph does not appear among them.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your obedient servant,

*Lea*

D. C. (C. & S. D.)  
for Commissioner of Police.

Chief Police Officer,  
Straits Settlements,  
Singapore.

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SHANGHAI MUNICIPAL POLICE.

File No. \_\_\_\_\_

REPORT

S. 2.

Station,

Date March 13, 1931.

Subject (in full) Elias Sassoon Joseph.

Made by D.P.S. Moore.

Forwarded by *Wharncan W.S.D.*

Sir,

All enquiries concerning the above named individual's supposed arrival and residence in this city have proved abortive. Nothing has been learned of the opening locally of a branch of the firm of F. Hoopes & Co. Ltd., general commission agents of Singapore. Neither does Joseph's name appear on the list of passengers who left Shanghai per the S.S. "Kashima Maru" on February 3rd 1931.

*D.P.S. Moore.*  
*D.P.S.*

D. C. (C. & S. Branches)

*Reg. Please prepare letter in accordance with attached draft.*

*[Signature]*  
*13.3.31.*



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SHANGHAI  
C. & S. D. REC.  
No. S. B. D. 1961.  
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P. O. Box No. 743  
A.H.A.

It is requested that the following  
number be quoted in the reply to this  
letter.

No. ( ) 11 95/11 31.

Office of  
Chief Police Officer,

Singapore, 27th February, 1931

Sir,

With reference to my letter of 14th January, 1931,  
and your reply No.S.B.D.1961 dated 27th January, 1931,  
I have the honour to inform you that the above named returned  
to Singapore on 12th February, 1931, on the s.s. "Kashima Maru".  
I will be very grateful if you can inform me of what business  
he did while in Shanghai.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your obedient servant,

  
Chief Police Officer,  
Singapore.

The Commissioner of Police,  
Shanghai.

S.B. D.1961

January 29, 31.

Sir,

I have the honour to refer to my letter, dated January 27, in reply to yours of January 14, on the subject of one Elias Sassoon Joseph and to state that the s.s. "Talma" arrived in Shanghai on January 20. Enquiries show that the name of Joseph does not appear on the passenger list. It has, however, been ascertained that the steerage passengers, who came to Shanghai by the ship, and whose names were not taken, included three Jews. It is possible that one of these was named Joseph, and efforts are now being made to obtain confirmation of this suspicion.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your Obedient Servant,

for Commissioner of Police.

Chief Police Officer,

Straits Settlements.

*P.C. (G.B.)  
Baker waiting  
until we can  
tell them something  
useful. 29/11  
Lee*

## SHANGHAI MUNICIPAL POLICE.

## REPORT

S. 2. Station,

Date January 28, 1931.

Subject (in full) Elias Sasseen Joseph.

Made by

and

Forwarded by D.S.I. Duncan.

Sir,

With reference to attached letter from the Singapore Police dated January 14th 1931 re Elias Sasseen Joseph, enquiries show that the S.S. "Talma" arrived in Shanghai on January 20th. Joseph's name does not appear on the passenger list, but three "Singapore Jews" travelled steerage and it is presumed that Joseph was one of the three

Enquiries are being kept up in an effort to trace his whereabouts.

*W. Duncan.*

D. S. I.

D. C. (C. &amp; S. Branches)

*Reg. Letter please in accordance with attached draft.*

*J. G.*  
*28:1:31.*

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RECEIVED  
& S. L. RECS.  
S. B. D. 1961  
No 27 - 1 - 31

January 27, 31.

Sir,

I have the honour to acknowledge receipt of your letter ref No. (I) in 95/31 and enclosure of January 14, 1931 on the subject of one Elias Sassoon Joseph, and to inform you that the matter is receiving attention.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your Obedient Servant,

*Aca St (m)*  
for Commissioner of Police.

Chief Police Officer,

Straits Settlements,

Singapore.



S. B. D. 1961.  
26 - 1 - 31

P. O. Box No. 704

It is requested that the following number be quoted in the reply to this letter.

No. (1) in 95/31

Office of  
Chief Police Officer,

Singapore, 14th. January, 1931.

Sir,

I HAVE the honour to enclose herewith a photograph and criminal record of a Singapore born Jew named Elias Sassoon Joseph who sailed from Singapore for Shanghai per the s.s. "Talma" on 7/1/31.

I am informed that he is visiting Shanghai for the purpose of opening a branch of the firm of F. Hornes & Co. Ltd., general commission agents of Singapore. This is a very questionable concern.

Joseph is a business "crook" whose speciality is long firm frauds. He is an undischarged bankrupt here and has left the Colony without the permission of the Official Assignee.

The Official Assignee however, does not desire to take action against him at present.

I should be glad of information you may gather concerning his activities in due course.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your obedient servant,

Chief Police Officer.

The Commissioner,

Shanghai Municipal Police,

Shanghai.

\* Sir,  
No record in  
S. B. Reg.  
26/1.

Previous Convictions of Elias Sassoon Joseph.

Sentenced on 21st. February, 1919 at the District Court, Singapore, to a fine of \$1,000/- or 2 months' R.I. for being concerned in the removal of Chandu into the Colony.

Fine paid.

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Sentenced on 31st May, 1926 at the District Court, Singapore to 3 months' R.I. for obtaining credit under false pretences. Section 110 (1) (a) Ord: 44 Bankruptcy.

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Sentenced on 6th. September, 1927 at the Supreme Court, Singapore, on 3 charges of Cheating to 1 year's R.I. on each charge, to run concurrently.

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Arrested on 30/4/29 and charged for leaving the Colony without the permission of the Official Assignee. Section 109 (1) of Ord: 44 Bankruptcy. This case was withdrawn by the D.P.P. on 16.5.29.

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